

THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

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1. South Vietnam

a. Khanh, his goatee gone "to mark the end of a phase," says he is determined to get the army out of the government and out of politics.

b. He told Ambassador Taylor that there is a current of anti-militarism abroad in the nation which he feels he must conciliate.

c. To this end he plans to name a committee of civilians and charge them with organizing a provisional government by November. Taylor doubts that the committee will be able to meet this schedule.

d. Khanh acknowledges that there will be "much wrangling" over this among Saigon's contentious politicians and ambitious religious leaders. Indeed Khanh may be hoping to establish the need for some sort of continuing military presence by demonstrating the lack of real alternatives.

e. Viet Cong activity remains at a low ebb.

2. Cyprus

a. There are signs of a growing distrust between Greek and Greek Cypriot leaders.

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b. Makarios, we hear, has refused Papandreou's request that some lesser figure than Foreign Minister Kyprianou be sent to Moscow next week. Also, the Archbishop is still putting obstacles in the way of a normal rotation of Turkish troops on Cyprus.

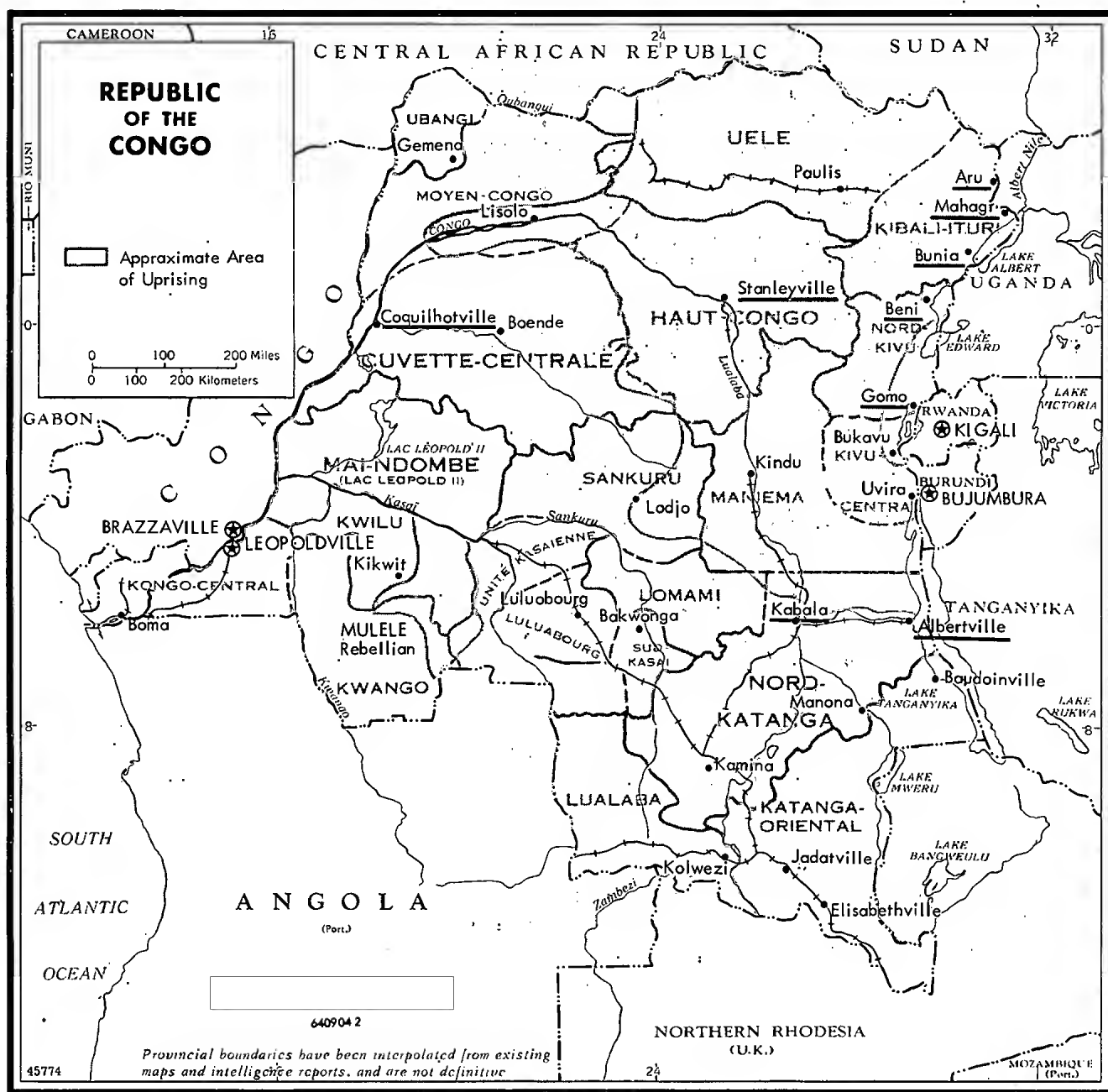
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d. King Constantine told Ambassador Labouisse that he would like to find some way to trap Makarios, whom he finds an "impossible scoundrel."

e. So far, however, Papandreou, while recognizing that he is losing face in the matter, has shown little taste for the strong measures it will take to deal with the Cypriot leader.

f. In Turkey, Inonu is apparently going to insist on a vote of confidence from the National Assembly on his handling of Cyprus. Such a vote is not likely before next Wednesday.

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g. The island is quiet. Galo Plaza, still preoccupied with "explosive possibilities" of the economic blockade of Turkish Cypriot communities, has asked the Greek side to live up to its agreement to ease off.

3. Congo

a. Tshombé continues to lose ground in the north.

b. Rebel bands, moving down the Congo River, are menacing Coquilhatville. This is the last major settlement between the rebels and Leopoldville.

c. It would not take much to stop the rebels in this area.

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d. In the northeast Bunia has been occupied. Goma with its airfield may well be next.

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f. Prior to his departure for the OAU meeting today in Addis Ababa, Tshombé, hoping to blunt the arguments of his detractors, told the press that he was sending all South African "volunteers" back home.

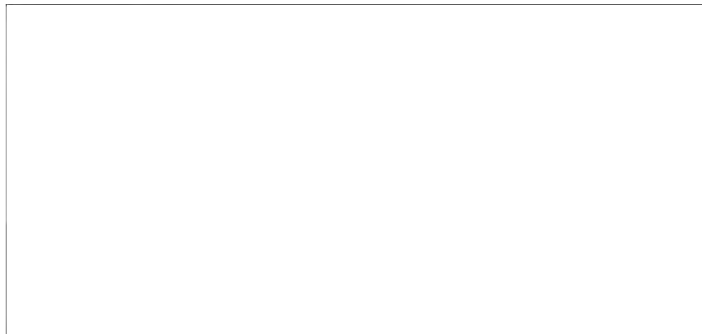
4. Chile

a. The latest returns (0430 this morning) from yesterday's presidential election give Frei 1,463,535 votes to 975,690 for his Communist-backed Socialist opponent, Allende.

b. A Frei landslide was apparent from the early returns, and Allende conceded only four hours after the polls closed.

c. The voting was orderly and the possibilities of post-election violence have been greatly reduced by Allende's advice to his followers, "we must know how to win and lose."

5. Tanganyika-Zanzibar



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6. Arab Summit

a. The sessions open in Cairo today with Faysal in attendance. In Cairo he will have a chance to exchange views with Nasir on Yemen, but we are far from hopeful that there will be any meeting of minds.


b. As matters stand now, Nasir refuses to withdraw his forces, the mandate of the UN observer mission has come to an end

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- B. Malawi (Nyasaland) Yet another new African state is in trouble. The cabinet of pro-western Prime Minister Banda is in virtual revolt against his high-handed methods, 

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His fall might lead to an exodus of British civil servants and a consequent breakdown in administration, as well as to greater opportunities for meddling by Bloc interests.

- C. Uruguay-Cuba Uruguay has put off a decision on whether to break relations with Cuba until next week. It is not certain how the vote in Montevideo's National Council may go, but Mexico is already talking as if it were standing alone on the issue.

- D. Singapore There was further rioting today when the authorities lifted the overnight curfew to permit shopping. Nine persons have been killed so far in the outbursts which began yesterday.